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BAYONETS IN THE RUHR.

THE "WAR" AS A RESIDENT
SEES IT.

A private letter from the Ruhr, received
in London, recently, gives some impres-
sions of the occupation from a resident's
point of view:—
"The butter came out quite fresh and
cool, we were delighted, as there is none
here, and everything else very nice and
very useful. Your postcard came a few
days later—the day afterwards the whole
post and parcels in the Hamburg train
were taken by the French.

"I wonder if you understand our con-
dition here at all. It is no new occupa-
tion—it is plain war. For instance,
yesterday we walked calmly through the
main street, suddenly out of the post-
office (in which they have troops) armed
soldiers with bayonets rushed out, threw
down everybody in the street, shot a few
shots, and retired after this brave act.
Or in Wanne, our children's 'Transport'
was peacefully sitting in several compart-
ments going in the direction of Münster;
suddenly the train stops, wild shouts,
soldiers appearing at the doors tearing
out everybody, babies and mothers,
tumbling between them with bayonets,
knocking the guide down, and driving
everybody out of the station. Several
people, among them our own children,
got a nervous breakdown—no wonder.
Reason of all this? Nobody knows.
To-day two Quaker ladies, English and
American, came to see me, they were
quite sure that it is war, and really they
were far more excited than we are. I am
always wondering how long our men
will stand this. The English here are full
of admiration, they say they never saw
people showing their utter contempt with
more personal courage and dignity
than our workmen do.

"Quite a lot of our friends have been
already 'ausgewiesen' that is in the
middle of a pitch dark night the French
throw them out of their motor cars and
put them on the road, the families have
to go four days afterwards. It is not
safe to walk alone at night, that is in
our part of the town. I think it is safe,
but in town they are always firing and
'clearing' streets with bayonets. We all
have the impression that they are extre-
mely afraid, you never see one soldier
alone, always two and two, and an officer
is always followed by three armed men
with bayonets. The jeering and shout-
ing of the people whenever they change
guards is astonishing. Essen surely is
utterly unimpressed by military cere-
monies. Milk and fat is the
worst thing here; that is, the first is not
to be had and the second very scarce
and frightfully expensive. Before the
French came meat, for instance, was 900,
now it is 8,000-9,000 (marks), and leather
(shoe soles) went up in the same degree.
The butchers very often will only sell fat
if you are buying meat too. I really do
not see how a great many people are
getting through with a lot of children."
(Continued on next Column.)

MILLION-YEAR-OLD SKULL

DISCOVERED IN SOUTH AMERICA.

["DAILY EXPRESS" CORRESPONDENT.]

NEW YORK, February 27th.
The discovery of a fossilised human skull
of the Tertiary period, more than a million
years old and half a million years older
than the most ancient skull yet found, is
reported from Patagonia by Dr. J. O. Wolf,
formerly of the Canadian Geological Survey,
who has been exploring in Patagonia for
two years for the La Plata Museum, Buenos
Aires.

Save for the lower jaw, which is missing,
the skull is perfect, with eye-sockets and
teeth-sockets in place. The cranium is long
and oval and the forehead very low and
sloping.

The skull was found in the possession of
a white settler in the Andes, who discovered
it several years ago in the Tertiary sand-
stone. Dr. Wolf left it with him.

Professor Boas, the distinguished
anthropologist, of Columbia University,
says that if Dr. Wolf's find is verified, it
gives the first proof that man existed in
the Tertiary period. The oldest previous
skull approaching human proportions is
that of the Pithecanthropus erectus, the
walking ape-man, found in Java twenty-
five years ago. This is estimated to be
half a million years old.

Dr. Wolf found, also, in a previously
unexplored region near Lake Cardiel, the
remains of a civilisation perhaps 3,000
years old, and ante-dating the era of the
Peruvian Incas. Parts of a wall forty-
five feet high, made of basalt blocks, each
of three cubic feet, were found. The
wall extends for 150 yards between two
hills, and acted as a protection for habi-
tations.

Arches in the wall suggest a high de-
gree of architectural knowledge on the
part of the builders. The stones are in-
scribed with strange devices, differing
from any hitherto known in South or
Central America. They include a repre-
sentation of an immense animal like an
armadillo, which is apparently the extinct
Glyptodon.—Daily Express.

The latest grievance of the stewards in
one of the Commonwealth Government's
steamers is that their quarters are con-
fined and objectionable, and that they are
not allowed to associate with the pas-
sengers. The passengers declare that the
stewards are treated excellently, and the
protest is against their democratic aspira-
tions to run the ship, play games, and flirt.

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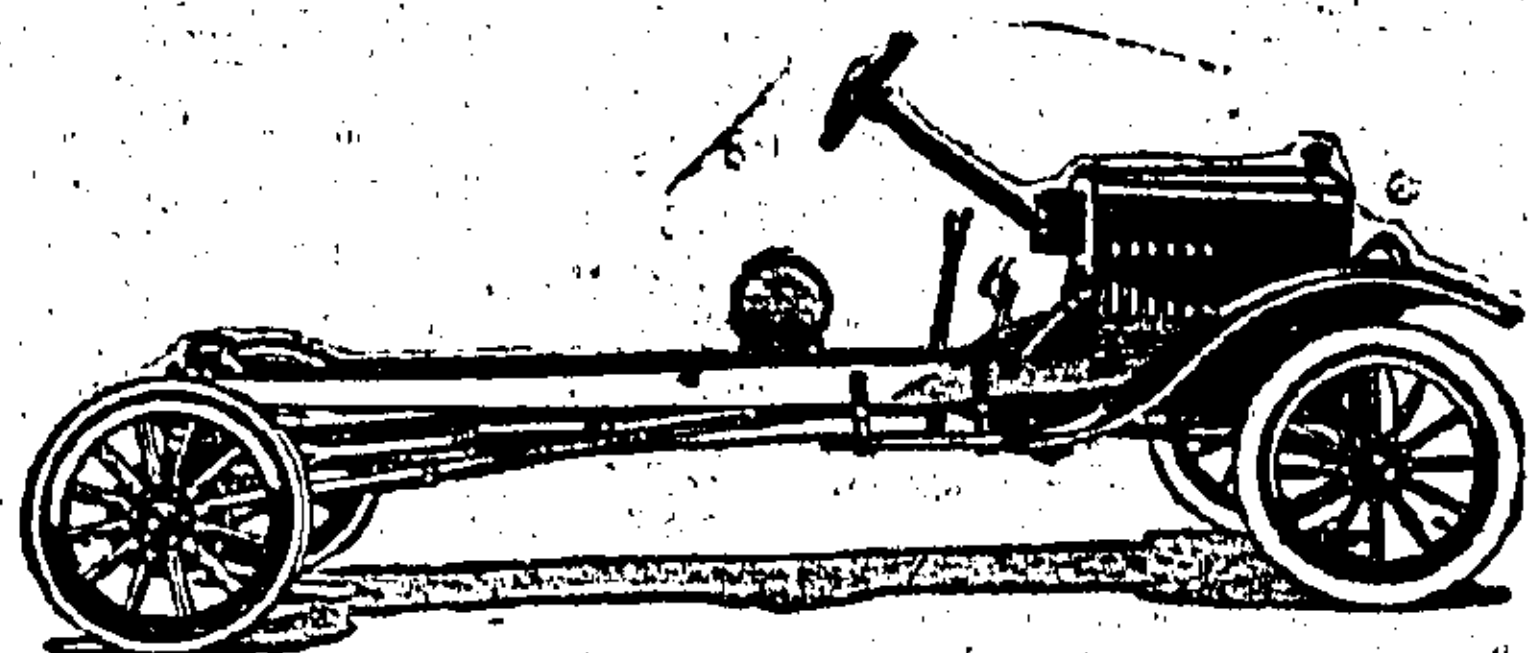
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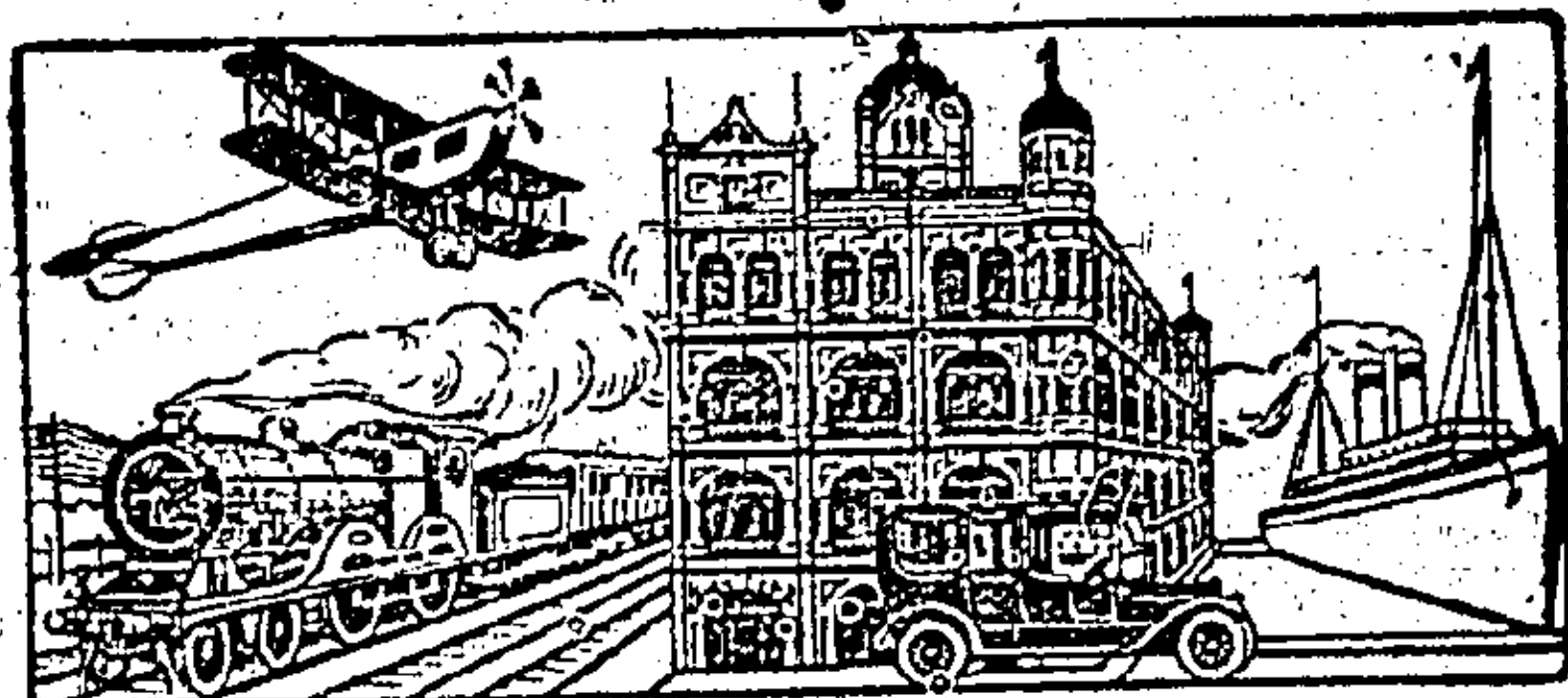
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THE RECENT DEBT FUNDING.

A warm tribute was paid by the Pilgrims of Great Britain to Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Chancellor of the Exchequer, on February 28th, in recognition of the distinguished part he has taken in the settlement with America of the funding of the British debt to the United States. In honour of the right hon. gentleman they gave a banquet at the Hotel Victoria, at which the Prince of Wales was present as a member of both the British and American Pilgrims. The gathering, numbering about 300 guests, took place in the King Edward VII. Hall, and was representative of the diplomatic, financial, commercial, and political life of the community. Lord Deaborough, chairman of the British Pilgrims, presided.

GREAT FINANCIAL ACHIEVEMENT.

The American Ambassador, in proposing the health of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, said they were met to celebrate a great achievement. He did not think he exaggerated when he pronounced it the first conclusive settlement of a really vital world problem since the Armistice. (Cheers.) It involved far more than the greatest financial transaction recorded in history. It bore with it the enhancement of mutual respect, and he firmly believed the everlasting friendship of the two great nations to which the entire world looked for the preservation of the solvency and stability which were essential to the prosperity and happiness of all mankind. (Cheers.) The task which confronted those in positions of high responsibility was one of appalling magnitude. The undertaking could not have been regarded in any other light than that of a devastating failure if the agreement had not won the approbation and measurable satisfaction of the millions of people who comprised the British Empire and the American Republic. That object had been attained. The virtual unanimity manifested on all sides in Great Britain afforded eloquent testimony of relief, even of joy, that the United Kingdom continued to rest upon a rock of financial integrity and of national honour. The assertion had been made, and quite commonly believed, that the United States refused to make these huge advances to the other Allies unless their repayment should be guaranteed by Great Britain. That was not the fact. Great Britain was never asked to guarantee—and never did guarantee—the payment of a single dollar loaned by the United States for the use of any country other than Great Britain herself. Indeed, taking into consideration the circumstances that so great a mass of materials was necessarily transported by British ships and through England, the United States affirmatively and voluntarily gave a pledge that Great Britain should not be held to account for any portion of supplies delivered to her representatives for transportation to, or ultimately used by, any other Ally. The Ambassador related how the United States advanced hundreds of millions of dollars to Great Britain, which enabled her to discharge her present obligations and to maintain her waning credit. The United States not only took over the obligation, but released to the British Government a huge amount of bonds and shares of the highest class which had been held by their banks as security for the loan. "Surely," he observed, "the asking of repayment of such a loan could not rightly be regarded as the act of a Shylock demanding his pound of flesh. But I have heard it said that if Great Britain had not loaned to the Allies she need not have borrowed from the United States. Undoubtedly that is the fact. But is it not equally true that, if we had not loaned \$250,000,000 to England we would not have been obliged to borrow \$4,000,000,000, which we still owe, and which, of course, we must pay?"

AMERICA'S WAR CONTRIBUTION.

"That is what we did, what we had to do. And simultaneously we borrowed, and loaned to the other Allies \$6,000,000,000 additional, upon which we have not received and are not likely to receive immediately a penny of interest, while still ourselves paying at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent, considerably more than \$250,000,000 a year. Incidentally, while borrowing these huge sums, we were commencing through taxation from our people for our own participation vastly more. It is indeed an interesting fact that, if you take into account our inevitable pensions, you will discover that the cost in money of the Great War to the United States and Great Britain was about the same, approximately \$10,000,000,000 each."

"A few more misapprehensions I must, in justice to my country, remove. It has been said that we singled out and 'dunned' Great Britain. We did neither the one nor the other. The expiration of the three years during which we had agreed to bear the entire burden was approaching, and on the same day our Government gave notice to all our debtors to that effect. Every lender and borrower in this room knows that this is no more than the customary preliminary to payment or negotiation of terms. One or two appeared in Washington and talked about the weather. Great Britain arrived and talked business. The outcome was a completed settlement of this greatest of financial transactions in less than a month." The British debt was costing the United States more than they owed Great Britain. Although as a result of the settlement Great Britain and the United States necessarily rowed in the same boat as the two creditor nations, the United States had not the slightest intention of ruining the credit of any other countries by cancelling their debts. (Laughter.) He declared that the British debt was costing the United States 4 1/2 per cent, and under

the settlement the British Government paid to the United States 3 per cent. Consequently Great Britain assumed two-thirds of the obligations and the United States one-third. "It was true that at the end of ten years the nominal interest paid by Great Britain increased to 3 1/2 per cent, but there was little doubt in the minds of financiers that before those ten years had expired the British Government would be able to refund those obligations upon a basis of less than 3 per cent. "If she needs any help in doing so she knows where to apply," he added. The United States made no claim that this adjustment was magnanimous on their part, but they maintained nevertheless, in the words of the chairman of their Debt Commission, Secretary Mellon, "It is just and fair, and might even be considered generous." In conclusion, he remarked that Great Britain could not have sent a truer representative of her own sturdy character than Mr. Baldwin. (Cheers.)

Sir Robert Horne, supporting the toast, said the settlement might well be satisfactory to the people on both sides of the Atlantic. It was true that we should be required to endure for many years to come a very great burden of taxation to meet our obligations, but we were discharging an obligation with good faith and honour. (Cheers.)

"A FAIR SETTLEMENT."

Responding, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said they could not have had to deal with men more competent, more fair, more straight, and more desirous of helping to an honourable settlement than the American Debt Funding Commission. (Cheers.) He claimed no skill as a negotiator, and said they were fortunate in the circumstances of their arrival, and the time at which they had to negotiate. "I would only say of the debt," he continued, "that we stand in this country, as we always have done, and as America stands, for the sanctity of contracts. (Cheers.) We have concluded with America the first settlement since the peace, and one of the greatest negotiations in the history of the world. (Cheers.) We are glad to have done it. We have been a fair settlement. We have been fairly met, and we all rejoice that it has been done." (Cheers.)

If there was one thing that the world needed to-day more than anything else, it was that the two great countries of the United States and Great Britain should understand each other and know and appreciate each other. (Cheers.) But if there was one thing that constituted a bar to that knowledge and appreciation, he sometimes felt it was the fact that the two countries spoke the same language. (Laughter.) And from the very fact that they spoke a common language the average Englishman feels that he knows America and has nothing to learn from her. It was essential that the two peoples should learn more and more from each other by personal contact. (Cheers.) They heard sometimes in America that Europe was not at pains to set her house in order and that she was militaristic; and that, such being the case, Europe was not worthy of America's help and sympathy. But it seemed to him that America sometimes failed to realise that Europe was a very old world and was an ancient Continent filled with peoples of different origin, different blood, different language, and different aspirations and ideals. In conclusion, the Chancellor paid a warm tribute to the generous advice and assistance of the American Ambassador, which had so largely contributed to the successful issue of the debt-funding negotiations with the United States.

U.S. SHIP SUBSIDY.

BILL SHELVED BY SPEECH ON TUT-ANKH AMEN.

For four days, opponents of President Harding's Ship Subsidy Bill wasted the time of the Senate recently with a flow of talk designed to prevent the Administration leaders from bringing the Bill to the vote.

There is no time limit in the Senate and no rule, as in the House of Lords, that speeches must be relevant to the subject under discussion. Therefore, when the obstructionists resolutely continued to speak on such themes as the deduction methods of King Tut-ankh Amen, who was represented as taking his treasures to his tomb and keeping them there 3,500 years, Senator Curtis, the Republican Whip, went to the White House and asked the assent of Mr. Harding to withdraw the Bill.

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THE MORRISON LIBRARY. ITS NEW HOME AT TOKYO.

The library of Dr. (J. E. Morrison, for many years Correspondent of *The Times* at Peking, is being given a permanent home. The library was bought by Baron Iwasaki in 1917 and is perhaps the most complete collection of works on China ever gathered together. To this collection Baron Iwasaki has added a large number of books dealing specially with Japan, and the two sections are to be placed together and made freely accessible to Japanese and foreign students.

The site chosen for the library building is the Hongo quarter of Tokyo, which already contains the Imperial University of Tokyo and other educational and scientific establishments. Work on the building has begun, and, according to an account in the *Far East*, will be completed this year. The librarian is Mr. Mikinosuke Ishida, of the Imperial University, who has made a special study of Chinese history and speaks English, French, and German. The new institute will issue a publication giving the results of the researches of Japanese scholars, while this year the issue is promised of a complete catalogue of the Morrison collection, and each volume in the library will bear Morrison's bookplate, in which, in memory of his Australian birth, a kangaroo figure is prominently.

The Morrison collection includes over four hundred early manuscript dictionaries and grammars, some twenty thousand printed volumes, four thousand pamphlets, and two thousand maps and engravings. Among the treasures are five beautiful examples of the rare books printed on rice paper at Macao in the latter part of the 17th century, a Chinese Latin manuscript dictionary finished in 1724, a Latin translation of the Nestorian tablet, published in 1685, forty-one editions of Marco Polo, including the first edition of 1488 in Italian, and the first English, French, and German editions, the MS. dictionary used by Sir John Barrow in 1783, together with the log book of the Lion frigate which took Lord Macartney and Barrow to China. The books in the collection are in over twenty different languages; they include the most complete collection known of missionary literature and other special subjects, that relating to ornithology being particularly fine.

A feature of the collection is the section devoted to pamphlets, reports, and Blue-books; the pamphlets alone fill several hundred cases. The maps, which date from 1565, are very valuable; in one of them Korea is shown as an island.

It should be remembered (says the *North China Herald*) that this collection consists wholly of foreign books, for, though there are no books in it in the Chinese language, but among Eastern languages represented are Arabic, Turkish, and Hebrew. As to the additions made by Baron Iwasaki, these contain photographic copies of ancient Chinese manuscripts found in Central Asia, books relating to Mongolia, Central Asia and Persia, and translations of the Scriptures made by the early Jesuit missionaries at Nagasaki.

RISE IN TIN.

A recent London paper says:—The sharp rise in the price of tin to \$200, 10s. per ton attracted some attention, and the forthcoming statistics will be awaited with interest to see if they disclose any marked alteration in stocks. It is believed, however, that the figures will show American deliveries for the month at from 8,000 tons to 8,500 tons, and that Europe will have absorbed about 2,500 tons during February. The main factor is the continued growth of consumption, with America a keen buyer, and the prospect that a larger demand will be seen from that quarter in the next few months. The feeling is, therefore, one of confidence, for, while consumption is growing, a larger production is apparently not in sight. Last year the market was held in check by the fear that stocks held in reserve by the Eastern pool would be liquidated on a rise, but with the more active trade demand this factor does not hold the same importance. At the end of 1922 stocks were reduced by about 14,000 tons on the year, and, consequently, if consumption remains at the same level as last year, the quantity held in reserve in the Straits, amounting to about 12,700 tons, will be needed to balance the difference between consumption and production. If the trade demand expands still further, the inevitable stocks will be absorbed. Not much relief is anticipated from increased production—certainly not for some time—and, according to some authorities, production seems to be going back in certain directions. There is always the further point that, should the European situation improve, demand would be stimulated.

WHAT IS EYESTRAIN?

The eye has certain tiny muscles. When objects we look at do not come up to a sharp focus in the eye, these muscles exert themselves unduly, and enable us to see clearly, in spite of the defect. These muscles tire and relax causing the objects looked at to become blurred and indistinct. Upon closing the eyes for a few seconds, the muscles become more or less rested and objects are clear again for a brief period. Properly fitted glasses correct eyestrain, whether caused by astigmatism or age. The Hongkong Optical Co., successors to Clark & Co., Manufacturing and Refracting Opticians, 53 Queen's Road Central, have the equipment to fit you glasses properly.—ADVE.

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THE MODEL PROVINCE. RECENT PROGRESS OF CONSTRUCTIVE WORK IN SHANSI.

Shansi, remarks the Bureau of Economic Information, is the only province in China which has been kept from internal and political disturbance during the years since China became a Republic. General Yen, the Governor of the province, acts concurrently in both military and civil capacities. During his un interrupted administration, a constructive programme has been adopted and gradually carried out. Special attention is directed to six important reforms; namely, land improvement, silk-worm rearing and mulberry tree-growing, tree-planting, opium prohibition, food-binding prohibition and queue-cutting. Encouragement is given cotton cultivation, afforestation, and animal husbandry work. Special bureaux have been organized for the planning and carrying out of the reform programme, which may be summarized as follows:—

Afforestation.—There is now a provincial bureau with six branches which are promoting afforestation. On Government-owned land the work is proceeding slowly but steadily. It is estimated that there are 182,700,000 mu of vacant hill land which are expected to be afforested in the course of time. On every piece of spare ground or uncultivated plots of private estates, the authorities encourage the owners to plant at least one tree each year. The total number of trees planted during the last few years is reported to average about 100,000,000 a year.

Cotton Cultivation.—From land in Shansi now in cotton is about 9,000,000 mu. The area is being gradually extended from year to year. The Government is making a special effort for the improvement of seed cotton to increase the yield as well as to raise the quality.

General Agriculture.—Experiment stations for animal husbandry have been established in the provincial capital. Pure bred stocks are imported from Australia for the purpose of cross breeding. The problems of general agriculture in connection with fertilizers, irrigation, mulberry cultivation, seed exchange, etc., are being investigated by experts.

Spinning and weaving and the production of silk, leather and paper have seen some introduction of modern methods. But the most distinctive achievement is the roads which are being built throughout the province, mostly by soldier labour. The plan consists of a system of trunk and branch roads to link all the principal districts and villages. The total length of the roads so far planned is 3,200 li, suitable for motor traffic. Some of this is reported to have been completed.

The system of primary education worked out in Shansi is said to be one of the best in China, not so much because of the merits of the individual schools, but rather on account of the extent to which popular education is carried. In order to facilitate administrative reforms, the village is made a unit. The people are gradually being trained for self-government. Each village is allowed to a large extent to draw up its own arbitration court, and organise themselves for their own protection. The system was put in actual practice in October, 1922. No reports are available as to how this is being worked out.

EXTRAVAGANT FLORAL TRIBUTES AT FUNERALS. A YOKOHAMA SUGGESTION.

The extravagance noted in expenditure on floral tributes at funerals in Yokohama during recent years says the *Yokohama Gazette*, has led to a very general feeling that some reform is needed. The large sum of money spent on flowers, which benefits only a few florists, might, by some organized effort, be devoted to charitable institutions in the community. At a funeral in Yokohama, not many months since it is estimated the expenditure on flowers must have approximated ¥1,500, and so strong was the feeling against such waste that several prominent residents are known to have resolved to insert in their wills a clause that no flowers are to be accepted from the public on the occasion of their demise.

The question was brought to public attention at the meeting of the Overseas Nursing Association recently, when Sir Edward F. Crowe, C.M.G., suggested that the money which is now spent on extravagant floral tributes might be donated by the friends of the deceased to some worthy organization such as the General Hospital, and in this way the memory of friends would be honoured and humanity benefited.

POPULATION OF CHINA 1923-1921.

The following figures were published in the Journal of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce:—

Years.	Population.
1913	441,983,000
1914	441,983,000
1915	446,973,000
1916	446,973,000
1917	439,405,000
1918	439,405,000
1919	440,934,000
1920	439,405,000
1921	443,282,000

POPULATION OF SHANGHAI 1913-1921.

Years.	Population.
1913	651,000
1914	651,000
1915	1,000,000
1916	1,000,000
1917	1,000,000
1918	1,000,000
1919	1,000,000
1920	1,500,000
1921	1,500,000

These figures, of course, must be largely guess work.

MACAO NOTES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

TAXES.

The proposed tax on dogs in Macao, has been approved, but the tax is much less than was originally suggested. The new tax will be \$3 for sporting dogs and \$2 for other breeds.

A tax which will probably pass into law is a proposal to charge \$1 for each sign-board suspended. Merchants feel that this is an unnecessary measure. Business is difficult enough in Macao with existing obstacles, and they expect to be given greater liberty and assistance, instead of further impositions.

One of Macao's Councillors intends introducing a measure to impose a tax on all private rickshaws.

POST OFFICE BUILDING.

Colonel Adriano Augusto Trigo, Director of Public Works in Macao, has submitted to the Technical Council his plans, and specifications for the proposed Post Office Building in the city. It is stated that the Governor is in complete accord with the project, and general satisfaction is expressed in Macao.

BOA VISTA HOTEL AND THE ASYLUM FOR INVALIDS.

The Macao Government has nominated Colonel Adriano Augusto Trigo, Director of Public Works at Macao on behalf of the Government, and Mr. Mateus de Lima, for the Santa Casa da Misericordia, to assess the value of the building previously used as the Boa Vista Hotel and of the Asylum for Invalids at Tap Siao, with the lands adjoining these buildings, with the view to purchase as previously reported.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

Prompted by opposition to reconstruction of St. Paul's Church, and also, by comments in *O Liberal*, Mr. Sebastiao da Costa, Chief of the Cabinet of H.E. Dr. Rodrigo Rodrigues, Governor of Macao, denies officially that His Excellency had ever promised to assist in the reconstruction of the Church. Mr. da Costa states that His Excellency is not opposed to the reconstruction, and that funds have to be utilized for many necessary reforms before any can be spared for the work suggested.

NEW ASYLUM FOR INVALIDS.

With the probable sale of the building used at present as the Asylum for Invalids, it is reported that the Santa Casa da Misericordia contemplates purchasing the area of unused land, known as Hortas da Companhia, in Macao, for the establishment of the Asylum for Invalids on that site.

ATHLETICS.

On March 31st and April 1st, inter-collegiate athletics were held before a large concourse of residents. H.E. Dr. Rodrigo Rodrigues and His Lordship Bishop D. Joao Costa Nunes were present. Macao will be sending a number of athletes to Hongkong to compete against Portuguese lads there.

BRIDGE BODILY MOVED. ENGINEERING FEAT AT CALCUTTA.

For what is believed to be the first time in the history of engineering in Calcutta, an iron bridge has been successfully lifted up and bodily moved to a new site, says *The Englishman*.

The bridge is the one crossing the Circular Canal at Belgachia on the road to Dum-Dum, at which point a larger bridge is to be constructed. To prevent a repetition of the inconvenience inflicted on the public in the case of the Kidderpore Bridge, the Improvement Trust decided to interrupt traffic for only the shortest time possible. The old bridge, therefore, has not been dismantled. It has been shifted about 60 feet further north, and passenger and vehicular traffic will very soon be able to cross the canal as before. The new bridge is to be built on the site formerly occupied by the existing structure.

The operation was carried out with great success by the makers of the old bridge, Messrs. Burn & Co., of Calcutta and Howrah. The preliminaries to the final removal occupied a period of three months, but road traffic was not interrupted until a few days ago when the single-line tramway track was cut and the roadway taken up entirely to lighten the weight of the bridge.

The original bridge girders were then lifted at each end in city by means of hydraulic jacks, and a cluster of joists were placed underneath them. These joists were extended to the new site alongside. The old bridge had masonry abutments, but its new site abutments have been made of screw pile columns which will suffice for temporary usage.

Having connected the old abutments with the new by means of the cluster of joists, placed under the bridge girders, on both banks, the hauling of the girders over the graptiled and greased surface of the bunch of joists was the next operation. It presented no serious difficulty, and it was accomplished by the aid of two crab winches, worked by about a dozen men on each crab. Eighty tons of bridge were thus moved in the space of a few hours. The actual time taken by the work of hauling occupied only 54 hours.

SCOUTS AND CADETS.

In anticipation of the forthcoming Jamboree to be held by the Hongkong Boy Scouts, a brief comparison of the objects of the Scouts with those of the Cadets might be of interest. It is not our object to attempt to make any invidious comparisons between the Cadet Corps attached to the H.K.V.D. and the local Scouts, but merely to endeavour to show how essentially different are the principles which govern these two distinct organizations, either at home or abroad.

The primary object of the Cadet movement is to give military training to lads with a view to rendering them capable of bearing arms should the necessity for so doing arise at some future date. The Cadet Corps are intended to be feeders for the volunteer or territorial forces, the idea being that when the lads reach the requisite age, they will automatically transfer into the latter.

The Cadet movement is indisputably a military organisation; hence its recognition by the War Office and the assistance given to it from that source.

The Scout movement on the other hand is avowedly non-military. Sir Robert Baden-Powell, the Chief Scout, in his handbook "Scouting for Boys," which is regarded as the foundation on which the whole movement is based, both as regards its scope and aims and the nature of the training given, contains the following significant passage: "There is no military meaning attached to scouting. Hence scouting comprises the attributes of colonial frontiersmen in the way of resourcefulness, and self-reliance and the many other qualities which make them men among men. There is no intention of making the lads into soldiers or of teaching them bloodthirstiness. At the same time under 'Patriotism,' they are taught that a citizen must be prepared to take his fair share among his fellows in the defence of the homeland against aggression in return for the safety and freedom enjoyed by him as an inhabitant."

If we may be excused for again quoting from a writer who deals with this same aspect of the subject, the following extract from an article which appeared in the *Times* of July 14th, 1918, may be regarded as of special interest. The article was a comparative survey of the Scout training and stated: "Both the Cadet and Scout movements are out for the good of the boy. The outstanding difference between their respective methods of training is that of principle—one works through impression, the other through expression. The Cadet training imposes collective instruction upon the boys from without; while the Scout movement encourages self-development on the part of the individual from within. Military drill fashions him on to an approved standard as a part of the machine; whereas the aim of scouting is to develop his personal character as a first step."

It is because so many people have an idea that the two movements are closely akin, or in fact one and the same, that we have ventured to point out the facts. As far as Hongkong is concerned, it is hoped that the Jamboree will help to dispel this idea and serve to demonstrate in some measure the real value of Scouting for boys, both as a means of character training and as an adjunct to education.—Contributor.

CORRESPONDENCE

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO.

[TO THE EDITOR OF "THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS"]

SIR,—Will the manager of the Green Island Cement Co. kindly explain why the Company is unable to supply local Chinese contractors with their daily wants? Is this due to defective kilns or a scarcity of limestone? Is it a fact that owing to the disturbed conditions, very little limestone can be obtained from Canton? Is there no remedy, and must the Company wait till peace and good order is restored in Kwangtung?—Yours truly,

ANXIOUS SHAREHOLDER.
Hongkong, April 5th, 1923.

[While we are at present without an official statement in reply to this letter, we are informed that, although there is an extraordinary demand for cement, the Company is able to meet all local demands.—ED.]

ATTACKED IN A CHAIR. UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT AT HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

An unsuccessful attempt at highway robbery was made by seven men in Caine Road on Tuesday. Mr. Chu Pak Tang, master of a tobacco shop in Wing Lok Street, was proceeding to his home in Caine Road by chair at about 10 p.m. At the entrance to Caine Lane seven or eight men jumped out on him from the side of the road. One man put his hand across Mr. Chu's mouth, but he was so quick that he managed to shout for help. Some of the men struck him over the mouth, and another stabbed him in the left hand. The robbers ran away without having stolen anything.

ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS
AND DEALERS.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Association of Exporters and Dealers of Hongkong was held at the City Hall, yesterday afternoon. The chair was taken by Mr. B. Monteith Webb, who was supported by Messrs. O. Eager, J. M. Alves, A. W. Van Andel, P. V. Botelho, S. M. Churn, J. Robertson, Fung Kong Un, and D. K. Blair (Secretary).

The firms represented were: Messrs. Castro & Co., Ltd. (Mr. H. A. Castro), Davis & Co., Ltd. (Mr. J. C. Barretto), Donnelly & White (Mr. L. M. Whyte), Fung Tang (Mr. Fung Kong Un), Gibb, Livingston & Co., Ltd. (Mr. J. H. Gordon), Gerin Deward & Co. (Mr. C. S. Roselle), W. R. Grace & Co. (Mr. E. Wilson), W. A. Hannibal (Mr. John Robertson), Holland-China Trading Co. (Mr. A. W. Van Andel), J. D. Hutchison & Co. (Mr. P. S. Cassidy), Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (Mr. O. Eager), Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Ltd. (Mr. K. Yamazaki), A. B. Moulder & Co., Ltd. (Mr. Wong Oi Kut), J. M. da Rocha & Co. (Mr. R. M. da Rocha), Rudolf, Wolff & Kew, Ltd. (Mr. C. H. W. Kow), Transmarina Trading Co. (Mr. W. H. O. Welch), Union Trading Co., Ltd. (Messrs. S. M. Churn and H. Tellejorde), Harry, Wicking & Co. (Mr. H. Owen Hughes), and Xavier Bros., Ltd. (Mr. E. A. Xavier).

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen, the Report and Accounts having been in your hands for some days, I will, with your permission, follow the usual procedure and take them as read.

During the year three members resigned from the Association, and five firms joined us, so that the membership, at the end of the financial year, stood at 55, consisting of 53 European and two Chinese firms.

In my speech last year I referred to the political troubles which were experienced in both Europe and America during 1921, and I am sorry to say that these troubles have continued and have, in fact, become very considerably increased. The situation in Germany and on the Continent generally is such that until there is a decided clearing of the atmosphere, either one way or the other, there can be no confidence in trading. Naturally, these conditions were reflected at this end in a distinct restriction of our export trade, so that the year 1922, can only be looked back on with a sigh of relief at its passing, and a revival of the hopes, which we experienced at the beginning of every year, that the succeeding one may make up in some respect for the shortcomings of its predecessor.

RICE.

It must be confessed that the year 1922 was not a very good one for the rice trade of the Colony. Owing to the Siam's Strike, hardly any business was done in the first three months of the year, and then Saigon shippers stepped in and captured almost the whole of the trade with the United States and Cuba, which were our main outlets. Saigon merchants were able to underquote Hongkong very considerably on account of the facilities offered to them for direct shipments, mainly by U.S. Shipping Board steamers.

Taking Saigon Long Rice as the standard, it may be said that prices have ruled pretty steady during the year. The opening price for the grade mentioned was about \$8.50 per picul L.B. In March the market advanced about 25 cents per picul and the highest point was reached in May when \$7.15 was registered. The market then declined steadily from June, when the price was \$6.85, to December, when it had dropped to \$6.25, the average price for the year being about \$6.90 per picul.

A notable feature during 1922 was the importation of large quantities of Rangoon Rice (estimated at about 100,000 tons), but the quantities did not, on the whole, give satisfaction, and heavy claims are reported to have been made against the Burma shippers.

The prospects for the present season, as far as can be seen, are not very bright, as both Saigon and Siam continue to make heavy direct shipments to America and the West Indies. In fact, I am afraid that Hongkong's trade with those markets, in Siam and Saigon Rices, may be considered a thing of the past.

Definite action was taken during the year in the matter of inferior gunny bags, to which I referred at the last annual meeting of the Association. As you are aware, the Chamber of Commerce undertook, at our request, to circulate all local signatures to the Rice Agreement with the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce inviting them to cooperate in an effort to ensure a better quality of gunny bags. The remedy proposed, for a state of affairs which threatened to bring this important trade into disrepute on the markets of the world, was to include in all contracts with Native Dealers a definite stipulation that "a good sound and serviceable quality of both inner and outer gunny bag must be supplied."

A very glad-to-see-that eventuality, complete unanimity was obtained for the proposal, and this clause should appear in all contracts and the results have been markedly beneficial.

ARBITRATION AWARDS.

In April last, your Committee addressed the Chamber of Commerce on the subject of arbitration awards by the General Produce Brokers' Association of London. It was complained that the awards of this body never give any clear indication of the nature of the defect found in cargoes on which allowances are made by them in arbitrations. Naturally, if shippers know at what respect a consignment falls below standard it will be their first endeavour to investigate the matter and take steps to prevent the recurrence of that particular cause for complaint. The Arbitration Committee of the London Chamber of Commerce, which has had this question under consideration, apparently acts on the old adage that "a judge should never give reasons for his decisions." Accordingly, our proposal has never gone forward to the Produce Brokers' Association, but the London Chamber of Commerce has suggested an alternative that the practice followed by Associations such as the Incorporated Oil Seed Association, be instituted; namely, that samples be taken each season from shipments arriving during the first month and that from these "fair average quality" samples be made up and placed at the disposal of the arbitrators, buyers and the representatives of the sellers.

Your Committee did not consider that this proposal adequately met the very reasonable request made and, on our representations, the subject was discussed at the recent Conference of Associated Chambers of Commerce at Shanghai, on a motion introduced by the Hongkong Chamber. Your Committee hope soon to be able to report progress in this matter.

PERUVIAN CONSULAR TARIFF.

Considerable space is occupied in our Report by correspondence on the subject of an increase in the tariff for consular certificates from Hongkong to Peru, made suddenly, without adequate notice. A paragraph appeared in the local Press stating that this tariff had been raised from 2 per cent. to 4 per cent. *ad valorem*. At that time—March, 1922—many shipments arranged prior to the publication of this notification, were still held up owing to the Seamen's Strike, and a letter was addressed by your Association to the Consul for Peru, calling his attention to this and asking that the increased charge might be waived until contracts made prior to the date of the notification had been executed. This reply was that the new charge became immediately effective, whereupon the Association again enlisted the aid of the Chamber of Commerce with a view to an appeal for Government intervention.

The Government undertook to pursue the matter through His Majesty's Minister at Lima and ultimately one request was conceded. I regret to state that the exporters affected have not yet received refunds from the Peruvian Government but repayment may presumably be expected at an early date.

TRADE PROSPECTS.

The year 1923 opened with a distinctly improved demand, both from Europe and America, for the various export articles dealt with in South China. The resulting trading has been restricted and considerably hampered by the extremely unsatisfactory conditions which still exist in Kwangsi and Kwangtung, and until some scheme can be evolved which will be acceptable to all the various factions it does not seem possible that there can be any improvement in general trading conditions—particularly if the internal lines of communication remain practically closed as at present.

ACCOUNTS.

The Accounts of the Association do not appear to call for special comment; our income is not large, but we keep within it and have been able to carry a surplus of \$81,100, as compared with \$79,300 last year. You will note that we have also \$4,000 on fixed deposit.

With these remarks I beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts as submitted, and after this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions members may desire to put.

Mr. L. M. Whyte, seconding the motion, said he wished to acknowledge the indebtedness of the general body of members to the Chairman and members of the Committee of the Association for their work during the year. At times their tasks had been both complicated and difficult, and they all owed their thanks to the gentlemen who had devoted so much of their time and experience to the affairs of the Association.

The CHAIRMAN thanked Mr. Whyte for his appreciation of the work of the Committee and of himself. He added that there was necessarily a good deal of work done, which could not be shown by the report. He then put the motion which was carried unanimously.

The election of the following as members of the Committee for the coming year was proposed by Mr. J. H. Gordon, seconded by Mr. O. H. W. Kow and carried unanimously:—Messrs. B. Monteith Webb, O. Eager, J. M. Alves, A. W. Van Andel, P. V. Botelho, S. M. Churn, J. Robertson, Fung Kong Un.

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LOCAL DISPUTE WITH
SEAMEN.LOWER RATES OF PAY ON BLUE
FUNNEL LINER.

SEAMEN'S UNION RAISE OBJECTION.

Some little difficulty has arisen over the statement that the local agents of the Blue Funnel line (Messrs. Butterfield and Swire) recently signed on a Chinese crew at a rate of pay which the Seamen's Union contend is not in accordance with the agreement drawn up a year ago at the termination of the seamen's strike.

The vessel in question is the s.s. *Bellerophon* which left port on Thursday with a new crew of Chinese which agreed to serve at a rate of pay stated to be \$31 per month, which is \$5 less than the rate stipulated in the agreement. But the point in favour of the local agents' action is that the new crew engaged do not belong to the Seamen's Union. They belong to another Guild of seamen which has some connection with the boarding-house keepers on the Praga. These men, according to the local agents, are not compelled to sign on at Seamen's Union rates, as they have no connection with the Union. The Blue Funnel agents also contend that in the past they have paid higher rates than any other shipping company trading in and out of the port. The new crew offered themselves to the agents at a rate which was lower than that paid to the crew just signed off, but the rate of pay the new crew signed on at is still equivalent to that paid by other Shipping Companies of Hongkong, if not higher.

The Seamen's Union have not let the matter pass by without protest. One of their delegates has paid a visit to Messrs. Butterfield & Swire and there lodged a protest. The facts of the situation were explained to him from the Owners' point of view. The Union is not contented with the explanation and in addition to lodging a protest with the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, they have despatched representatives to Canton to interview the British Consul-General there (Mr. J. W. Jamieson) and Mr. Luk King Po, who were signatories to the strike agreement last year. The representatives have been instructed to point out to the signatories what they contend to be a breach of the agreement. The representatives are expected to return to Hongkong this morning.

COMPANY MEETING.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

The annual meeting of the Bank of Canton, Ltd., was held at the Bank's temporary offices, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, on Wednesday. The chair was taken by Mr. Li Sing Ku, supported by other directors, and shareholders.

The report of the Board of Directors was read to the meeting. It ran:—The Directors have now to submit to you a general statement of the affairs of the Company and balance sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1922.

The net profits for that period, including \$2,361.4s. 1d. balance brought forward from last account, after paying all charges amount to \$23,350. 10s. 11d.

The Directors propose to transfer \$300,000 from the Silver Reserves in order to declare a dividend of 6 per cent., absorbing \$24,276. 0s. 3d. which at 2/2 is equivalent to H\$578,684.68.

The Directors announce with deep regret the death of Mr. Chuck Yew Foon in last summer, Mr. Cheng Yuet Po was appointed Inspector of Accounts to take his place, which appointment requires confirmation at this meeting.

In accordance with the Articles of Association Messrs. Li Yuk Tong, Mak Tai Ting, Ma Chui Chiu and Li Wing Kwong retire from the Board but, being eligible for re-election, offer themselves accordingly. Messrs. Ng Cheuk Chuen and Cheng Yuet Po, our Inspectors of Accounts for the past year, now retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, who were our Auditors for the past year, and they now retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

The CHAIRMAN proposed that the dividend of 6 per cent. be paid as suggested in the report. Mr. Ng Yu Hoo seconded, and the motion was carried.

The report and accounts were adopted. The election of directors was put over the April 21st, as was the election of inspectors of accounts and auditors.

The CHAIRMAN next proposed the election of the following new members:—Messrs. Baptista, York & Co., Messrs. Koller & Co., Ltd., Messrs. Fung Tang, Messrs. W. R. Flaxton (representing Messrs. W. R. Grace & Co.), Messrs. Suzuki & Co.

Mr. JOHN ROBERTSON seconded the motion, and it was carried.

This concluded the public business of the meeting.

The committee afterwards held a private meeting at which they elected Mr. John Robertson Chairman and Mr. Van Andel Vice-Chairman.

SPORT.

THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

A REVIEW.

Now that the preliminary stages of the Hongkong Cricket Club Tennis Tournament have been practically completed the struggle for honours has reached a very interesting stage. Out of 29 entrants in the Open Champion Singles, there are nine players left in the contest. All the matches in the second round have been completed with one exception, and a most interesting one. M. W. Lo, who drew a bye, has yet to complete his match with H. D. Rumjahn. In the second. On Thursday last they met, but owing to falling light they were unable to complete the match. When play stopped young Rumjahn had the advantage by two sets to one. H. D. Rumjahn is playing particularly well this season and he has shown considerable advancement on last year's form. Should he succeed in defeating M. W. Lo, who has for several years past been the challenger in the competition, he should stand a chance of going right through. But he will have a tough proposition to face, should he survive, in R. E. Worthington, whom he will meet in the third round. Altogether there are three Rumjahns left in the competition. They are S.A., who played in the uncompleted match with S. E. Green on Wednesday and looked like beating (darkness again intervened in this match); then there is O. Rumjahn, who is still in the running with his brother, H.D., in the Open Champion Doubles. He has done well this year in defeating Buschaert, one of Kowloon's star players. Other players in the third round are A. Eveleigh, who by his defeat of S. D. (small) in the second round by three straight sets, has proved himself to be a player much above the ordinary standard. He will have to meet O. Rumjahn in the third round. V. Yvanovitch, the miniature lightning smasher, is still in the running and has to meet Thomas Lay, a young and promising player, who this year did extraordinary well in defeating F. A. Redmond, the present Club Champion.

The position is now as follows:—Second Round—M. W. Lo v. H. D. Rumjahn (match uncompleted). Third Round—S. A. Rumjahn v. S. E. Green (match uncompleted); A. Eveleigh v. D. Rumjahn; V. Yvanovitch v. Thomas Lay; and the winner of the remaining second round match v. R. E. Worthington.

THE OPEN CHAMPION DOUBLES. In this competition two sets of players have already reached the semi-final round. They are R. E. Worthington and H. Hancock, who by their victory over the Lo brothers, the 1921 Doubles Champions, on Wednesday are looked upon as hot favourites for the Challenge Round. The other couple to reach the semi-final are A. Eveleigh and A. S. Lindell. They have had an easy task up to the present, but they will have to meet a smart couple in the semi-final in O. and H. D. Rumjahn or M. P. Lo and Thomas Lay. The Rumjahns are likely to go through to the final. The other players left in the competition are S. E. Green and D. S. Green (father and son). They entered the second round by a walk over from Horace Lo and C. Choa. The others are: E. R. S. Dods partnered by A. B. Raworth; F. Wheeler, partnered by C. E. Millard; and R. H. Wild partnered by J. D. Humphrey.

The matches will be played as follows:—Second Round—S. E. Green and D. S. Green v. R. H. Wild and J. D. Humphrey; E. R. S. Dods and A. B. Raworth v. F. Wheeler and C. E. Millard.

Third Round—M. P. Lo and Thomas Lay v. O. and H. D. Rumjahn.

Semi-finalists—R. E. Worthington and H. Hancock v. the ultimate winners of the matches outstanding in the second round.

A. Eveleigh and A. S. Lindell v. the winners of the third round match between O. and H. D. Rumjahn and M. P. Lo and Thomas Lay.

FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON F.C. v. KING'S REGT.

The following team will represent the Kowloon F.C. in their 1st division League match v. the King's at Kowloon, tomorrow (Saturday) at 4.30 p.m.:—Woodman; Wheeler and Knight; Morrissey; McKelvie and Pasco; Clemo, Hall, Scully, Duncan and Mason. Reserve: G. Duncan.

HONGKONG F.C. v. H.M.S. "TITANIA."

The following team will represent the Club in their League game with H.M.S. "Titania" tomorrow (Saturday) at 4.30 on the Club ground:—McBain; Reid and Bishop; Blair, J. Stewart and Angus; Forsyth, Valentine, Begg, W. Stewart and England.

INTERPORT HOCKEY.

A Renter's telegram dated Shanghai, April 4th states that in a hockey match the Hongkong Indian Garrison team beat the Shanghai Silk Police by 6 goals to nil.

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Hummel's Fete de foie Gras No. 10...	per tin	\$3.00
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Puree de foie Gras...	"	.50
Russian Caviare...	"	5.90
Chicken a la King...	per jar	1.25
Turkey Hash...	"	.55
Spaghetti & Chicken Livers...	"	.55
Devilled Chicken...	"	.90
" Turkey...	"	.90
Welsh Rarebit...	"	.90
Truffled Boar's Head...	in Glass	1.60
Game Galantine...	per tin	2.75
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DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

HANKAM KWINGTON WOO retired from the Firm of **Geo. K. Hall, Brutton & Co.** on the 1st instant. The Business of the said **Geo. K. Hall, Brutton & Co.** will be carried on at the same address under the Style and Name of **Geo. K. Hall, Brutton & Co.** Dated the 4th day of April, 1923.
Geo. K. Hall, Brutton & Co.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

We the undersigned **JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON**, of **Alexandra Building, 100, Queen's Road Central, HONGKONG**, hereby give notice that we have this day authorized **Mr. JOHN DAVID HUMPHREYS** to sign our Firm Name Per Procuration. Dated this 4th day of April, 1923.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON

NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

ONE Certificate for 3 Shares Nos. 12993/12995 and **ONE** Certificate for 3 Shares Nos. 12996/12998 in this Company, standing in the Name of **LI HIM U** and **LI W. CHONG** respectively, have been LOST, and if at the Expiration of One Month from the Date hereof the above documents be not forthcoming, other Certificates for the said shares will be issued by the Company and thereafter no other will be acknowledged.
A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1923.

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Booking at **THE ANDERSON MUSIC CO.**

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"ATREUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into the Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at the risk of the consignee and subject to the conditions of storage at the wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 5th April.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All boxes, chests, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday and Friday between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and Noon within the free storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th April, will be subject to sale.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 15th April, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1923.

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DISS BROS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I have this day sold to **MACKINTOSH & CO., LIMITED**, the Stock-in-Trade and Goodwill of the Business hitherto carried on by me under the style of **DISS BROS.** at **Alexandra Building, Victoria, Hongkong, Taiwan.**

All Claims and Accounts unsettled Up to this Date will be paid and discharged by me.

Dated the 2nd day of April, 1923.

A. C. DISS.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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ONE SET OF MINT MACHINERY.

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LAMBERT BROTHERS,

Auctioneers.

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By Order of the Executor

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS OF SALE

of

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY.

74, CAINE ROAD, HONGKONG

To be Sold by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

on

UESDAY, the 17th DAY OF APRIL, 1923,

at 3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

by

Messrs. LAMBERT BROS., Auctioneers,

at their Auction Room,

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The Property Consists of—

All that Piece or Parcel of Ground registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 3200 together with the messuages and premises thereon known as No. 74, Caine Road.

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Messrs. LAMBERT BROTHERS,

The Auctioneers,

Duddell Street.

or

Messrs. D'ALMADA & MASON,

Solicitors for the Vendor,

33, Queen's Road, Central.

Dated the 4th day of April, 1923.

D'ALMADA & MASON,

Solicitors for the Vendor.

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PARTICULARS OF VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

13, WING HING STREET, VICTORIA, HONGKONG.

To be Sold by Order of the Mortgagee

By

PUBLIC AUCTION,

on

MONDAY,

The 14th DAY OF MAY, 1923, at 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

By

Messrs. LAMBERT BROTHERS

At their Office, Duddell Street.

THE Property consists of First ALL THAT piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as SECTION A of INLAND LOT No. 2168 together with the messuages erections or buildings thereon now known as No. 13, Wing Hing Street and Secondly ALL THAT strip of land at the rear of the said Section A of Inland Lot No. 2168 being a scavenging lane. All of which premises are held for the residue of the term of 75 years from the 15th day of May, 1918, created by the Crown Lease thereof together with the valuable machinery now situated in or upon the said premises and at No. 13, Wing Hing Street.

Particulars and Conditions of sale may be obtained from

Messrs. HASTINGS & HASTINGS,

Solicitors,

8, Des Voeux Road Central,

and

Messrs. LAMBERT BROTHERS

Auctioneers.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the reconstruction agreement made between **ARNHOLD BROS. & Co., Ltd.** and **HARRY MONTAGUE MANN**, the Liquidator thereof and others and this Company, this Company has as from the 1st APRIL 1923, acquired the undertaking of **ARNHOLD BROS. & Co., LTD.**, and will henceforth carry on the business heretofore carried on by that Company.

ARNHOLD & CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1923. [657]

HONGKONG TRAMWAY CO., LTD.

(INCORPORATED IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG TRAMWAY CO., LTD. will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., PEDDER STREET, HONGKONG, on WEDNESDAY, the 11th day of APRIL, 1923, at 12 O'CLOCK Noon, to transact the Ordinary Business of the Company.

By Order of the Board,

W. E. ROBERTS,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1923. [651]

GANDE, PRICE & CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 5, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, at 12 O'CLOCK Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 11th day of APRIL, 1923, for the purpose of receiving the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1922.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th to the 11th April, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. BOND,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd April, 1923. [656]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 5, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, at 12 O'CLOCK Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 11th day of APRIL, 1923, for the purpose of receiving the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1922.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th to the 11th April, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1923. [655]

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST GYMKHANA MEETING will be held (Weather Permitting) at **HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 7th April,** commencing 3 P.M.

The Charge for Admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.00.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform Half Price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each Member has the right of introducing 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure. Tickets for whom can be obtained from the Secretary at \$5.00 each up to Friday, 6th April, 1923, both days inclusive.

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9th February, 1923. [655]

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BIRTH.

CASSIDY.—At 129, Lugard Road, Peak, Hongkong, on April 5th, to Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Cassidy, a son. [663]

HONGKONG OFFICE: 104, DES VOEUX RD., C.

LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 6TH, 1923.

THE CANTON LOOP-LINE PROJECT.

MR. A. H. HARRIS, Commissioner of Customs at Canton, has rendered a valuable service to the authorities and the general public of that City by writing the Memorandum on "Canton's need of Communications" which we published in our issue of the 4th inst. We have often wondered why so little interest has been manifested in Canton in the linking up of the Canton-Kowloon railway with the Canton-Hankow line. It was not altogether explained by the political unrest with which the city and the whole province has been afflicted, for we have seen many interesting economic developments in spite of it, notably the demolition of the old city wall and the making of modern thoroughfares thus opening up the city to motor traffic. We can hardly suppose, either, that it is explained by the statement of an American journalist that "the Cantonese are opposed to the rail connection on the ground that the prosperity and trade of the city will be injured thereby." Rather we should think it due simply to the fact that the Chinese have failed to recognise the great potentialities of the link, and it is needed a statement such as Mr. Harris has prepared to show the great value and imperative need of the line. Some of the statements in Mr. Harris' Memorandum we read with considerable surprise. "Rail connection between the two stations of Taishatow and Wengshah and sub-stations at convenient spots near various parts of the city, must be made," he says. "Land around the city is increasing in value from year to year; nay, from month to month, as speculators are very busy; and

the longer the determination of the connection is postponed, the more costly it will be, and the greater the disturbance to private property. Whether construction can be actually put in hand now or later, a survey of the route should be made, the land staked out and acquired as soon as possible." These are the statements that surprise us, for we recollect that about the time the Canton-Kowloon line was opened to through traffic it was reported that the survey of the

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"DELTA"	6,071	27th June	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"SIOLIA"	6,813	28th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"MALWA"	10,941	11th July	do
"DEVANHA"	8,093	25th July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
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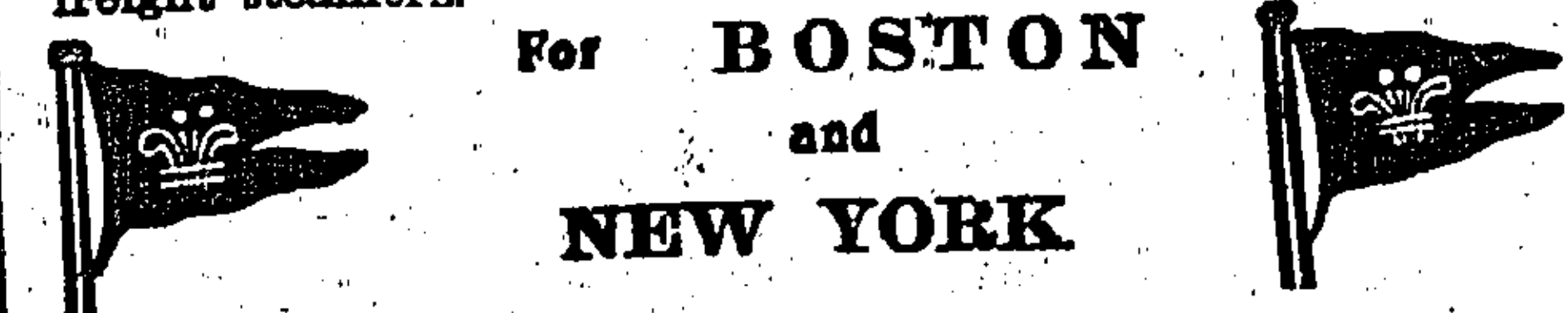
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